

LOUISIANA WILD LIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

NOVEMBER 15, 1966

1. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of September 26 and 27, 1966. (2)
2. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of October 20 and 21, 1966. (2)
3. Request from Senator Spencer Myrick to close "any doe" day in the Georgia-Pacific GMA, Morehouse Parish, (Denied) (2)
4. Recommendations on 1966-67 trapping season in St. Bernard and portion of Plaquemine Parish. (Com. approved to open season, except for muskrat) (4)
5. Commission requesting investigation of 3 wildlife agents on case dealing with apprehension of St. Bernard Trapper. (5)
6. Approval of request by members of East Feliciana Parish Police Jury to withdraw "doe and fawn" season on the Idlewild Research Area. Also requested from University to withdraw the hunting. (6)
7. Signing of the purchase of the Spring Bayou Area for a wildlife Management Area and commendation of Mr. Marc Dupuy, Jr., for his assistance. (8)
8. Request of Rep. Conway LeBleu to open Calcasieu Lake for the oyster season. (9)
9. Request from Allen Parish Police Jury to close West Bay GMA to all hunting and trapping. (9)
10. Request from Livingston Parish Police Jury to close area of parish lying east of Amite River and north of U.S. Hwy. 190. (10)
11. Request from Caldwell Parish Police Jury to close doe season on Caldwell GAME Management Area. (11)
12. Approval for opening of trapping season for 1966-67 on all GMA's, except for Fort Polk, State Forest. (11)
13. Acceptance of completion of boat ramp on Pearl River, near Angie, for C & W Contractors, Inc. and extension of time granted to date of acceptance.

14. Approval of final payment of \$19,061.75 to Ducks Unlimited, Inc. (14)
15. Acceptance of remodeling work at Rockefeller Refuge. (15)
16. Approval of Pan American request for road extension on Marsh Island Refuge -- State Lease No. 4648, Well No. 1. (16)
17. Approval, Rockefeller Refuge -- Repair to Price Lake Road System. (17)
18. Review of bids for repairs and painting various structures at Rockefeller Refuge. (18)
19. Commission resolution to alert Commission attorneys to defend the Commission if suit is filed in connection with the Georgia-Pacific GMA. (19)
20. Approval of permit to dredge in West and Middle Pearl Rivers near Slidell--Jahncke Service, Inc. (20)
21. Approval of trapping season on Wildlife Refuges. (20)
22. Commendation of Marsh Island employees on rescue work. (21)

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MEETING HELD IN NEW ORLEANS

NOVEMBER 15, 1966

The regular monthly meetings of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission were held in New Orleans, Louisiana on Monday and Tuesday, November 14 and 15, 1966.

Monday's meeting consisted of conferences and the preparation of the agenda for the Tuesday meeting.

The public meeting was held on Tuesday, November 15, 1966, at 10:00 A.M., in Room 226, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission Building, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Members present at both meetings were:

Jimmie Thompson, Chairman

H. B. Fairchild, Vice-Chairman

A. J. Buquet

Jerry G. Jones

John Edwin Kyle, Jr.

Hobson Norris

H. Clay Wright

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Thompson who stated the first order of business was the approval of the minutes of the previous meetings.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Wright, the reading of the minutes of the meetings held on September 26 and 27, 1966 were dispensed with and approved as previously submitted to the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Norris, the reading of the minutes of the meetings held on October 20 and 21, 1966 were dispensed with and approved as previously submitted to the Commission.

Chairman Thompson then stated that the next item on the agenda is the request received from Senator Spencer Myrick to close the any sex deer day season which is to be held on the Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area in Morehouse Parish.

Mr. Clyde Smith, President of the Louisiana Wild Life Federation requested the floor. Mr. Smith said that in view of the fact that the Commission's decision, at that moment, was not made, he would like to speak in behalf of the Wildlife Federation and the sportsmen of Louisiana. Mr. Smith said the primary objective of the Wildlife Federation is to prevent stream pollution and perpetuate wildlife conservation, with conservation being taken away from politics as much as possible. The Commission was established to carry out the work for the people of the State of Louisiana. Mr. Smith said that

the Wildlife Federation has letters and copies of letters from people requesting that the Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area remain open for hunting.

Mr. Mike Cook also requested the floor and said that he represented himself and possibly other sportsmen as well in requesting that the Commission "stick by their guns" and go along with the biologists' recommendations in keeping the deer hunting season open on the Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area.

After considerable discussion, the Commission voted on the matter.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has received a written request from Senator Spencer Myrick and also met in discussion on the possibility of closing the any doe deer season on the Georgia-Pacific Game Management Area, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has taken into consideration all recommendations of the Commission's biologists and opinions of others concerned,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does declare the Georgia-Pacific Game Management Area to be open for a four and a half day season. The first day shall be open from sunrise to noon for any sex deer (legal bucks and doe deer), except spotted fawns, with the remaining four days open for bucks only (sunrise to sunset).

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Ted O'Neil for trapping recommendations.

Mr. O'Neil said that the St. Bernard Parish Police Jury has requested that the Commission close the trapping season for St. Bernard Parish and also a few other requests had been received for same. Mr. O'Neil said that he himself had also checked the area by air and by land. He stated that St. Bernard Parish, at present, is having a long range improvement plan to improve the water ways and conservation in the parish. Mr. O'Neil recommended that the Commission close the trapping season in St. Bernard Parish and that portion of Plaquemine Parish lying East of the Mississippi River bounded on the South by Pointe-a-la-Hache boat channel in order that the fur bearing animal population may grow to a sizeable amount for better future trapping.

After considerable discussion between the Commission and Mr. O'Neil, the floor was then given to the following trappers who were present to request that the trapping season be open to the taking of nutria: Mr. Lester Hutcherson, St. Bernard; Mr. Edwin Estavis, Delacroix; Mr. Thomas Campo, Delacroix; Mr. John Alfonso, Yscloskey; Mr. Joe Gonzales, Yscloskey; and Mr. O. J. Artherman. These trappers all stated that they wanted to protect the few muskrat that were on their land by trapping the nutria. The nutria are destroying the food and nesting grounds of the muskrats.

In relating the protests of the closure of the trapping season, two of the trappers stated that a trapper was found in violation of

trapping last New Year's Eve for trapping on his own land. The trapper was in his pirogue going to the back portion of his property to check his traps when the Wildlife Agents stopped him. The trapper had no furs in the pirogue with him at that time, only his gun and told the Agents same. The Agents then accompanied him to his home where he had about 232 nutria pelts drying on stretchers. The Agents seized the pelts and then shortly after sold the pelts to another individual. The trapper was fined \$25.00 for the violation. It was stated that the sale of the pelts was for \$150.00. Later, they stated, these people tried to make a deal with the trapper and give him back \$100.00 for his pelts. This deal was never transacted.

On motion of Mr. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby direct Dr. Leslie L. Glasgow, Director, to have a thorough investigation made on the subject of three Wildlife Agents selling seized nutria pelts to another individual and then trying to make a deal with the trapper in violation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that after the investigation has been conducted, a report of the findings be given to the Commission.

After the trappers stated their recommendations, Rep. Samuel Nunez, Jr., spoke in behalf of the trappers and also requested that an open season be allowed for trapping of nutria.

On motion of Mr. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby declare that there shall be an open fur trapping season, except for the taking of muskrat in St. Bernard Parish and that portion of Plaquemine Parish lying East of the Mississippi River bounded on the South by Pointe-a-la-Hache boat channel. This season will coincide with the dates for fur bearing animal season for other parts of the State, with the exception of the muskrat season which shall be closed for the areas mentioned.

Chairman Thompson then stated that the Commission received a request from the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury and also L. S. U. for the closure of the deer season on the Idlewild Management Area. Chairman Thompson said that at a previous meeting the Commission opened a deer season for this area due to the fact that there was an over population of deer interferring with the various projects being conducted there. Louisiana State University has notified the Commission that they have funds available to build a fence around certain parts of the Idlewild tract in order to control the deer. L. S. U., as well as the Commission personnel, have studied the matter and have come to realize that if a deer hunt is allowed on this area, there are good possibilities that the experimental projects, which are presently being conducted, may very well be disrupted or damaged due to the deer hunting.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:



WHEREAS, on September 27, 1966, at a meeting of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission approval was granted for a controlled deer hunt on the Idlewild Wildlife Research Area in order to prevent deer from jeopardizing the research work being conducted in the area, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has received a request from the East Feliciana Parish Police Jury for the closure of the area, and

WHEREAS, Louisiana State University, as well as Commission personnel, have said that if a controlled deer hunt were allowed there is a possibility that the research projects will be disrupted, and

WHEREAS, Louisiana State University has funds available to build fences on the area to protect the research project area and control the deer.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby close the deer season on the Idlewild Wildlife Research Area.

Mr. Charlie Bosech, Executive Director of the Louisiana Wildlife Federation, requested the Commission to allow the hunting seasons for Louisiana to take place as previously scheduled for the year. After considerable discussion on the matter, the Commission said that the reason for the various changes were for reasons which are for the benefit of all concerned and the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has always tried to help the sportsmen of Louisiana to

the best of their ability.

Chairman Thompson then announced that the act of sale papers for the purchase of the Spring Bayou Area have been prepared and are in order for the signatures to be affixed. After the document had been properly executed, Mr. Kyle requested the Commission to adopt a resolution of appreciation to Mr. Marc Dupuy for the fine work he did in connection with the purchase of the Spring Bayou Area.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. Marc Dupuy, Attorney representing the land owners of the Spring Bayou Area, has given many long hours of untiring effort and work for the establishment of the wildlife management area, known as the Spring Bayou Area.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby appreciate and commend Mr. Marc Dupuy, Attorney at Law, for the excellent cooperation and work rendered to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission in the promotion and legal finalization of the sale of the Spring Bayou Area for the purpose of the establishment of a Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Marc Dupuy.

Mr. Dupuy then thanked the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and stated that it was a pleasure to have worked with the Commission.

Chairman Thompson then recognized Representative Conway LeBleu to the floor.

Rep. LeBleu requested that the Commission reconsider the closure of Calcasieu Lake concerning the oyster season. At a previous meeting this year, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission closed Calcasieu Lake to the harvesting of oysters. Rep. LeBleu said that many of the fishermen in this area use Calcasieu Lake to harvest their oysters and this is their only source of livelihood. Rep. LeBleu said that he did not mean to allow these fishermen to completely deplete the lake, but only to use the lake taking a portion of the oysters.

Dr. Ford and the Commission explained to Rep. LeBleu that Calcasieu Lake was closed to oyster harvesting for this season and to be opened on an alternating year basis in order to increase production.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby declare that Calcasieu Lake, located in Cameron Parish, shall continue to be closed to the harvesting of oysters during the 1966-67 season and request that recommendations for future oyster production on Calcasieu Lake be made and submitted to the Commission.

Chairman Thompson then said that the Commission received a resolution from the Allen Parish Police Jury requesting the closure of the West Bay Wildlife Management Area to all hunting and trapping.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Allen Parish Police Jury has requested that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission close the West Bay Wildlife Management Area to all hunting and trapping for the 1966-67 season.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby declare the West Bay Wildlife Management Area have a five day deer season with the first four days of the season open for the taking of legal bucks only and the fifth day open for the taking of antlerless deer only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the trapping season be open as in accordance with the rules and regulations for trapping on Wildlife Management Areas.

The West Bay Wildlife Management Area resolution was adopted with a vote of four to two. Those in favor were Mr. Jones, Mr. Wright, Mr. Norris, and Mr. Kyle; those in opposition were Mr. Buquet, and Mr. Fairchild.

Chairman Thompson stated the next item on the agenda was the resolution received from the Livingston Parish Police Jury requesting the closure of deer season in that portion of Livingston Parish lying east of Amite River and north of U. S. Highway 190.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Buquet, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Livingston Parish Police Jury submitted a request, in the form of a resolution, for the closure of deer season in Livingston Parish for that portion lying east of the Amite River and north of U. S. Highway 190.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby deny the request of the Livingston Parish Police Jury and declare the 1966-67 deer season for Livingston Parish to remain open for a five day season for the taking of legal bucks only.

Chairman Thompson stated another request had also been received from the Caldwell Parish Police Jury for the closure of doe deer season on the Caldwell Game Management Area.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Caldwell Parish Police Jury has submitted a request for the closure of the doe deer season for 1966-67 on the Caldwell Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby declare the Caldwell Wildlife Management Area to be closed for the 1966-67 doe deer season and therefore, this area shall be open for the taking of legal bucks only during the 1966-67 deer season.

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Joe Herring to tell of the trapping on the Wildlife Management Areas.

Mr. Herring requested that the Commission open the trapping season for fur bearing animals on all Wildlife Management Areas, except on Fort Polk, State Forest Wildlife Management Area. He said that Commission personnel have reviewed and studied the feasibility and found it to be beneficial provided certain rules and regulations are followed.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Norris, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, an over abundance of raccoon is interferring with wildlife research development and are probably causing some predation of turkey nests and young, and

WHEREAS, the Commission has received requests from the local people to trap the various areas and it has been found that fur bearers can be harvested on the Wildlife Management Areas along with game animals, and

WHEREAS, the trapping of fur bearers on Wildlife Management Areas would further to complete a well rounded management program, and

WHEREAS, this type of program was conducted last year and found to have been very successful.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby declare open trapping season for 1966-67 on the Wildlife Management Areas for the taking of fur bearers, except Fort Polk, State Forest Wildlife Management Area which shall be closed. Permits may be obtained from the Commission's eight (8) District offices for the trapping of the following species: Mink, Raccoon, Opossum, Skunk, Fox, Bobcat, Beaver, Nutria, and Muskrat.

Trapping of otter will be specifically prohibited.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that trapping season on Wildlife Management Areas will open December 10th and run to the end of the current trapping season. The trapper will not be permitted to carry any type of firearms. The trapper will be required to keep a record of all animals caught and turn this record into the District Office within 10 days after the close of trapping season. The number of permits issued will not be limited.

Mr. Herring said that the Department of Public Works has sent notification that the boat launching ramp on Pearl River near the town of Angie has been completed and recommended that the Commission approve Contract No. 5639, with C&W Contractors, Inc. as completed and that same be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, State of Louisiana, has certified to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the Contractor has completed Contract No. 5639, between the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and C&W Contractors, Inc., Contractor for the construction of a boat launching ramp and parking area on Pearl River near the Town of Angie, in Washington Parish, Louisiana and has recommended that the same be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the work done by C&W Contractors, Inc.,

Contractor under Contract No. 5639 with said Commission, dated August 24, 1965, be and is hereby accepted and extension of time granted to the date of this acceptance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and he is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the Mortgage Records of Washington Parish, Louisiana.

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Richard Yancey to tell the Commission of the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Yancey said that in accordance with law, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission allocates 25 cents of each hunting license sold in Louisiana to Ducks Unlimited to be used for the development and preservation of breeding grounds in Canada for migratory waterfowl. Mr. Yancey said that an advance payment of \$50,000.00 has been sent to Ducks Unlimited for 1965-66 licenses sold with a balance of \$19,061.75 to be paid to them. Mr. Yancey recommended that the Commission give approval for the payment of the balance to Ducks Unlimited.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Buquet, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, in accordance with law, R. S. 56:104: E (1) the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has dedicated funds to be expended to Ducks Unlimited, Inc. for the development and preservation of breeding grounds for migratory waterfowl, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has



made an advance payment of \$50,000.00 to Ducks Unlimited, Inc. for which 25 cents of each hunting license sold in Louisiana in 1965-66 is allocated.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby give approval to pay Ducks Unlimited, Inc. the balance due in the amount of \$19,061.75. The total amount of licenses sold in Louisiana was 276,247, with 25 cents of each hunting license sold amounting to a total of \$69,061.75. Less the advance payment of \$50,000.00, making a balance due in the amount of \$19,061.75 for 1965-66 licenses sold in Louisiana.

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Allan Ensminger to tell the Commission of the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Ensminger said that Hackett and Bailey, Architects for the remodeling work at Rockefeller Refuge has notified the Commission that Earl Miller Construction, Company has completed the work as called for in the contract and recommended that same be accepted by the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Hackett and Bailey, Architects who prepared the plans and specifications, has certified to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the Contractor has completed Division of Administration Contract No. P.R. 173, between the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and Earl Miller Construction Co., Contractor for the remodeling work at Rockefeller

Refuge and has recommended that same be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the work done by Earl Miller Construction Co., Contractor be and is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the Mortgage Records of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

Mr. Ensminger said that a request had been received from Pan American Petroleum Corporation for permission to extend an access road on the Marsh Island Wildlife Refuge in order to reach a drilling site on State Lease No. 4648, Well No. 1. Mr. Ensminger said that this proposal has been examined and found to be feasible provided certain terms and stipulations are in agreement by the Pan American Petroleum Corporation and recommended that permission be granted to Pan American.

On motion of Mr. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant permission to the Pan American Petroleum Corporation to extend an access road on the Marsh Island Wildlife Refuge in order to reach a drilling site on State Lease No. 4648, Well No. 1. This permission is granted provided Pan American is in agreement with certain requirements, specifications, stipulations and conditions which shall be binding upon the Corporation in order to protect the interest of the Louisiana Wild

Life and Fisheries Commission in regard to the maintenance of the present water control over the area and pollution that may result in damages to the marshes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Ensminger said that the Price Lake Road System is in dire need of repair. In order to repair that portion of the road it would be necessary to have 3500 yards of ridge sand and about 7000 yards of oyster shell transported to the area and spread in place. This work has been advertised for bids by the Division of Administration and Crain Brothers was the low bidder in the amount of \$42,175.00 for the work. Mr. Ensminger recommended that the Commission request the Division of Administration to issue a purchase requisition for the work.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Price Lake Road System is in dire need of repair, with it being necessary to have 3500 yards of ridge sand and about 7000 yards of oyster shell transported to the area and spread in place, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Division of Administration has advertised for bids on the job.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby request the Division of Administration to issue a purchase requisition to Crain Brothers for the necessary repairs on the Price Lake Road System, as Crain Brothers was the lowest bidder in the amount of \$42,175.00 for the job.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Ensminger then stated the Department of Public Works has notified the Commission of the results of the tabulation of bids on the repairing and painting of various structures at Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge. Mr. Ensminger said that the first time they requested the Department of Public Works to advertise for bids, no bid was received for the work and the Commission asked the Department of Public Works to readvertise for bids again. On the second advertisement, one bid was received which was much above the estimated price. The Department of Public Works was requested to again advertise for bids. Four bids were received and this time the bids were again above the estimated cost of the work. Mr. Ensminger recommended that the Commission give approval for the purchase of the materials necessary for the work and allow Commission personnel to complete the job.

On motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has advertised three

times for bids for repairing and painting of structures on Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge and the first time no bid was received; however, on the second and third periods, the bids received were too high and above the estimated cost of the work.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby reject all bids received by the Department of Public Works for repairing and painting of various structures on Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge and direct that the necessary materials be purchased by the Commission for the completion of the work with instructions for the work of repairing and painting of the various structures on Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge to be completed by Commission personnel in the Refuge Division.

Chairman Thompson then announced that the Commission had just received word that the District Attorney and the Police Jury of Morehouse Parish intend to file suit against the Commission for not closing the deer season on the Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby direct that the Commission attorneys be alerted and ready to defend the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission when suit is filed by the District Attorney and Police Jury of Morehouse Parish in connection with the Commission's action taken in not closing the deer season on the Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area in Morehouse Parish.

Chairman Thompson then called on Dr. Ted Ford for the next item on the agenda.

Dr. Ford said that application for a permit to dredge in the West Pearl and Middle Rivers had been received from Jahncke Service, Inc. in order for them to secure fill material for use in the construction of Interstate Highway 10. Dr. Ford said that the application has been examined and found to meet all the requirements set up by the Commission and recommended that permit be granted.

On motion of Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Wright, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant permission to Jahncke Service, Inc. to secure fill material from sections of West Pearl and Middle Rivers for use in the construction of Interstate Highway 10. This permit shall be valid only for that period of time necessary to complete construction of the highway and it shall be terminated upon completion of the project. This permit shall be granted provided Jahncke Service, Inc. accept the Commission's standard clause controlling pollution of the river from the operation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Ensminger again requested the floor. He said that he would like to request the Commission's approval for the trapping of fur bearing animals on the Wildlife Refuges. He stated that unlike

the Wildlife Management Areas, the Refuges charge the trappers a fee of 10 per cent of the furs they catch.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Buquet, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby declare that the Wildlife Refuges shall be open for the 1966-67 fur bearers trapping season. A fee of 10 per cent of the sale of the furs they catch on the refuge property shall be the legal charge. The dates and rules and regulations as set down for the trapping season of fur bearing animals shall also apply to the Wildlife Refuges.

It was brought to the Commission's attention that some Commission personnel aided in saving the lives of approximately 30 people when they were stranded in small boats near Marsh Island Refuge when bad weather came up. Some of the boats capsized from the squally weather and Commission personnel rescued the people bringing them to safety and giving them food and shelter.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Buquet, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

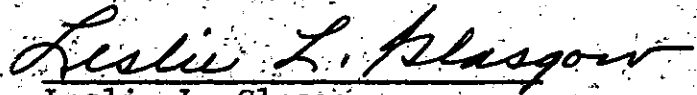
WHEREAS, Mr. Harvey Lourd and other employees at the Marsh Island Refuge assisted in saving the lives of 30 people stranded in their boats when a sudden weather change occurred causing high winds and rough seas, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission personnel of Marsh Island acted above and beyond the call of duty

in the rescue, and also provided shelter and food for these people until they could be brought to further safety.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby commend the employees who participated in rescuing and saving the lives of the 30 people who were in danger.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, on motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Jones, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Leslie L. Glasgow  
Director